**Never or Sometimes** 

Q29: Usually or Always

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Usually

**Q29: Sometimes** 

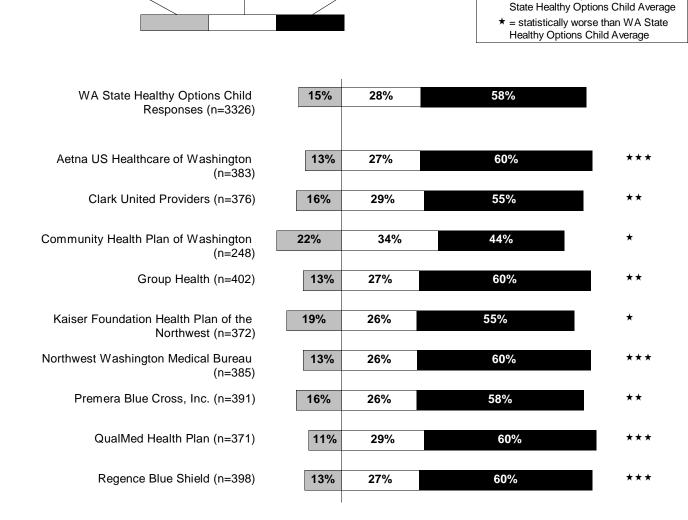
This chart summarizes the responses to survey questions 18, 20, 23, and 29 contained in the composite, "Getting Care Without Long Waits." Individual question-level responses immediately follow.

Always

Q29: Never

★★★ = statistically better than WA State Healthy Options Child Average

★★ = not statistically different than WA



**Never or Sometimes** 

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Premera Blue Cross, Inc. (n=276)

QualMed Health Plan (n=272)

Regence Blue Shield (n=270)

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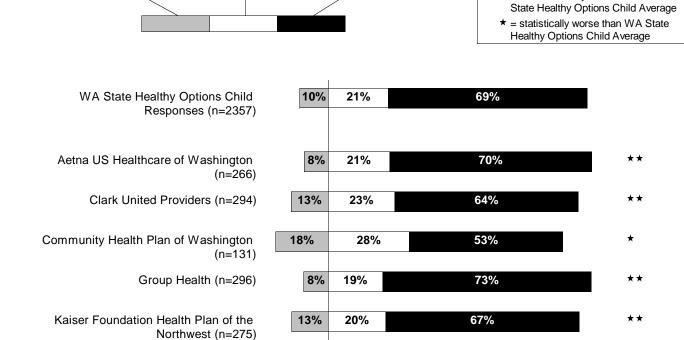
Usually

Q18. "In the last 6 months, when you called during regular office hours, how often did you get the help or advice you needed for your child?"

**Always** 

★★★ = statistically better than WA State Healthy Options Child Average

★★ = not statistically different than WA



7%

10%

8%

7%

(n=277)

18%

20%

21%

22%

75%

71%

71%

70%

**Never or Sometimes** 

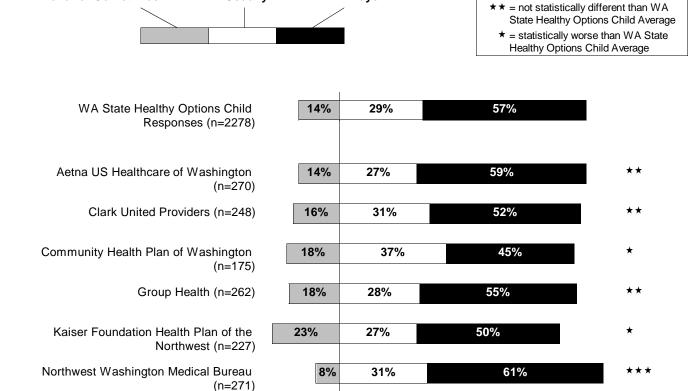
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Usually

Q20. "In the last 6 months, how often did your child get an appointment for regular or routine health care as soon as you wanted?"

**Always** 

★★★ = statistically better than WA State Healthy Options Child Average



14%

8%

10%

27%

26%

30%

59%

65%

60%

NOTE: Survey results presented in this report are based on the 1999 "Survey About Your Health" CAHPS survey sponsored by the Washington State Medical Assistance Administration. Small percentage differences represent measurement (sampling) error rather than actual differences in health plan performance. Numbers may not add up to 100% due to rounding. Results are case-mix adjusted. To guard against inappropriate interpretation, plans with fewer than 85 responses for a single survey item do not receive a bar. Please see the detailed methodology appendix for additional information. Statistical tests are calculated on the case-mix adjusted scores, not the frequency distribution of the unadjusted responses.

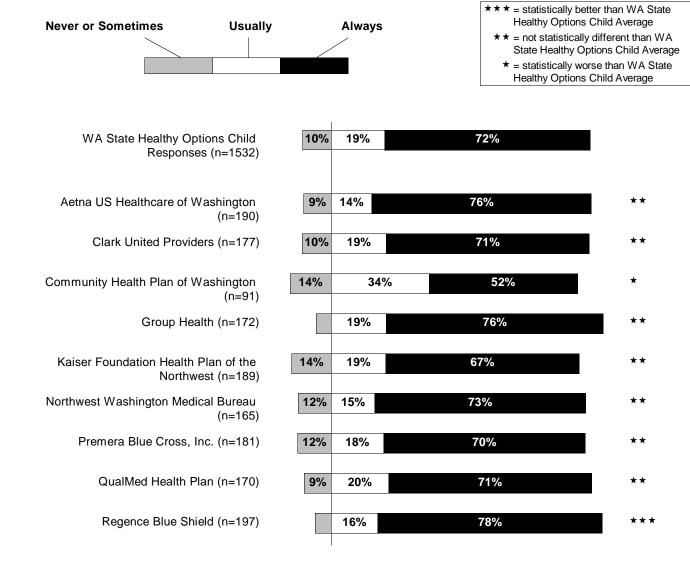
Premera Blue Cross, Inc. (n=282)

QualMed Health Plan (n=263)

Regence Blue Shield (n=280)

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Q23. "In the last 6 months, when your child needed care right away for an illness or injury, how often did your child get care as soon as you wanted?"



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Q29. "In the last 6 months, how often did your child wait in the doctor's office or clinic, more than 15 minutes past the appointment time, to see the person your child went to see?"



- ★★★ = statistically better than WA State Healthy Options Child Average
  - ★★ = not statistically different than WA State Healthy Options Child Average
  - ★ = statistically worse than WA State Healthy Options Child Average

